

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW ACTS;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND)
ACTS, 1883-1891;" AND "THE LAND PURCHASE ACTS,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION

MONTH OF APRIL, 1900.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts." up to the 30th day of April, 1900: also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883-1891." and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1900,	196,879		Rents Fixed—		
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	405		By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1900,	4,725	
		197,284	" in month of April, 1900,	12	4,738
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st March, 1900,	10,591				
Do. in month of April, 1900,	14				
		10,605	By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1900,	168,557	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1900,	30,075		" in month of April, 1900,	108	168,665
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	24				
		30,099			
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents,* to 31st March, 1900,	1,295		Dismissed—		
" received in April, 1900,	—		To 31st March, 1900,	9,264	
		1,295	In month of April, 1900,	14	9,278
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st Mar., 1900,	1,468				
Do. in month of April, 1900,	1		Struck out—		
		1,469	To 31st March, 1900,	36,954	
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1890, to 31st Mar., 1900,	477		In month of April, 1900,	52	36,966
Do. in month of April, 1900,	9				
		483	Withdrawn—		
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1890," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1900,	41		To 31st March, 1900,	15,111	
Do. in month of April, 1899,	3		In month of April, 1900,	8	15,119
		44			
Total,	—	241,282	Total disposed of,	—	234,768

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (C), page 5.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 31st Mar., 1900,	52,415	53,509	Rents fixed— By Chief Commissioner to 31st March, 1900,	1,030	1,107
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	1,094		" in month of April, 1900,	72	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1900,	3,745	3,783	By Sub-Commissioners to 31st March, 1900,	26,100	26,659
Do. in month of April, 1900,	38		" in month of April, 1900,	559	
			Dismissed— To 31st March, 1900,	642	648
			In month of April, 1900,	6	
			Struck out— To 31st March, 1900,	5,462	5,546
			In month of April, 1900,	84	
			Withdrawn*— To 31st March, 1900,	922	929
			In month of April, 1900,	7	
Total,	—	57,292	Total disposed of,	—	34,889

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to 31st March, 1900,	129,809
Do, do, in month of April, 1900,	255
Total,	130,064

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to 31st March, 1900,	23,181
Do, do, in month of April, 1900,	578
Total,	23,759

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices, (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st March, 1900,	1,872	1,878	Number disposed of to 31st Mar., 1900,	2,709
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	6		" in month of Apr., 1900,	8
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1900,	43	43		
Do, in month of April, 1900,	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 37) received to 31st March, 1900,	1,063	1,063		
Applications in month of April, 1900,	—			
Total,	—	2,884	Total disposed of,	2,717

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true facts of a Tenancy, that rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXTENDED SINCE 1st JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 31st February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st March, 1900,	22	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1900,	20	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	20
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st March, 1900,	3	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 22nd February, 1900.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 88.

Number of Applications received to 31st March, 1900,	19	Applications granted to 31st March, 1900,	6	
" in month of April, 1900,	—	" in month of April, 1900,	—	6
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1900,	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1900,	11	
" in month of April, 1900,	—	" in month of April, 1900,	—	11
		Applications withdrawn to 31st March, 1900,	3	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	3
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	20

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1891.

Applications received to 31st March, 1900,	4,356	Rents fixed to 31st March, 1900,	3,935	
" in April, 1900,	1	" in April, 1900,	—	3,935
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st March, 1900,	411	
		" in April, 1900,	—	411
Total,	4,357	Total disposed of,	—	4,346

VI.—APPEALS IN FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st Mar., 1900,	50,101	Number heard to 31st Mar., 1900,	25,115	
" in month of April, 1900,	79	" in month of April, 1900,	1	25,116
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1900,	601	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	601
		Number withdrawn to 31st March, 1900,	21,868	
		" in month of April, 1900,	4	21,872
		Total Number disposed of,	—	47,789
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	2,391
Total,	50,180	Total,	—	50,180

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to 31st March, 1900,	14,600	Number heard to 31st Mar., 1900,	4,374	
" in month of April, 1900,	314	" in month of April, 1900,	2	4,376
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1900,	—	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	—
		Number withdrawn to 31st Mar., 1900,	2,300	
		" in month of April, 1900,	3	2,303
		Total Number disposed of,	—	6,678
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	8,436
Total,	15,114	Total,	—	15,114

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number.	Amount
Loans applied for to 31st March, 1900,	29,179	11,452,066
" in month of April, 1900,	—	—
Do not Applications refused,	29,179 3,811	11,452,066 1,469,436
—	25,368	9,992,640
Loans sanctioned to 31st March, 1900,	25,368	9,992,640
Loans sanctioned in month of April, 1900,	—	—
—	25,368	9,992,640
Loans issued to 31st March, 1900,	25,368	9,992,640
Loans issued in month of April, 1900,	—	—
—	25,368	9,992,640

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891, 1896.

	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
		£		£
Loans applied for to 31st March, 1900,	22,394	8,878,430		
Less applications since withdrawn,	26	10,800		
Loans applied for in month of April, 1900,	22,368	8,867,630	22,002	8,843,219
	234	75,649		
Loans applied for (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 31st Mar., 1900,	945	269,334	1,011	282,953
„ in month of April, 1900,	66	13,619		
Loans applied for (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 31st March, 1900,	109	106,594	167	103,644
Less applications since withdrawn,	2	2,900		
	107	103,644	18	327,185
Loans applied for in month of April, 1900,	—	—		
Loans applied for (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 31st Mar., 1900,	18	327,185	—	—
„ in month of April, 1900,	—	—		
Loans applied for in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1895), to 31st March, 1900,	2,835	749,767	—	—
„ in month of April, 1900,	—	—		
	—	—	2,835	749,767
Total number of Loans applied for to 30th April, 1900,	—	—	33,573	10,406,768
Less applications refused to 30th April, 1900,	1,072	442,516		
„ „ in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1895), to 30th April, 1900,	1,077	302,244	31,424	9,662,008
	—	—		
	—	—	2,149	744,760
Loans sanctioned to 31st March, 1900,	24,338	7,465,223	24,526	7,514,720
„ in month of April, 1900,	188	46,497		
Loans sanctioned (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 31st Mar., 1900,	945	269,334	1,011	282,953
„ in month of April, 1900,	66	13,619		
Loans sanctioned (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 31st March, 1900,	109	106,594	109	106,594
„ in month of April, 1900,	—	—		
Loans sanctioned (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 31st Mar., 1900,	18	327,185	18	327,185
„ in month of April, 1900,	—	—		
Loans sanctioned in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1895), to 31st March, 1900,	1,758	447,523	1,758	447,523
„ in month of April, 1900,	—	—		
Total number of Loans sanctioned to 30th April, 1900,	—	—	27,422	8,678,975
Less applications rescinded to the 30th April, 1900,	—	—		
	—	—	120	32,708
Loans issued to 31st March, 1900,	19,143	6,001,568	19,355	6,073,343
„ in month of April, 1900,	212	71,796		
„ (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 31st Mar., 1900,	945	269,334	1,011	282,953
„ in month of April, 1900,	66	13,619		
„ (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 31st March, 1900,	84	82,549	86	85,899
„ in month of April, 1900,	2	3,180		
„ (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 31st Mar., 1900,	18	327,185	18	327,185
„ in month of April, 1900,	—	—		
„ in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1895), to 31st March, 1900,	1,758	447,523	1,758	447,523
„ in month of April, 1900,	—	—		
	—	—	22,228	7,216,853

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to 31st March, 1900,	1,475	Number of cases in which Consents to Redemption of Rents have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 31st March, 1900,	169	
" in April, 1900,	4	Number received in April, 1900,	—	169
		Number of cases in which no Consents were received and which were treated as applications to fix Fair Rents* to 31st March, 1900,	1,295	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of April, 1900,	—	1,295
				1,464
		Number of cases in which applications have been received but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired,	—	15
Total,	1,479	Total,	—	1,479

* Applications treated as Fair Rents cases are also included in last Rent Table (a) page 5.

CIVIL BILL COURTS,

MONTH OF APRIL, 1900.

Summary of Proceedings under the "Land Law Acts" as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th day of April, 1900.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1900,	32,376		Rents fixed to 31st Mar., 1900,	18,271	
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	80		" in month of April, 1900,	—	18,271
		32,406	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1900,	4,099	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st March, 1900,	4,377		" in month of April, 1900,	—	4,099
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	1		Applications withdrawn* to 31st March, 1900,	505	
		4,378	" in month of April, 1900,	—	505
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st March, 1900,	2,572		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1900,	12,059	
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	3		" in month of Apr., 1900,	15	12,074
		2,575	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to 31st March, 1900,	41	
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to 31st March, 1900,	126		" transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the 31st Mar., 1900,	3	44
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	—		" in month of April, 1900,	—	
		126			
Total,	—	32,485	Total disposed of,	—	34,991

* An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 31st March, 1900,	7,319	Rents fixed to 31st Mar., 1900,	1,954	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	1,954
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	82	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1900,	319	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	219
		Applications withdrawn* to 31st March, 1900,	84	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	84
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to 31st Mar., 1900,	3,745	
		" in month of April, 1900,	38	3,783
Total,	7,301	Total disposed of,	—	6,040

* An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, fixing Fair Rent to 31st March, 1900,	7,322
Do, do, in month of April, 1900,	1
Total,	7,323

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to 31st March, 1900,	126
Do, do, in month of April, 1900,	7
Total,	133

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.).		Number disposed of to 31st March, 1900,	353	
Applications received to 31st March, 1900,	642	" in month of April, 1900,	1	354
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	3	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1900,	42	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 33) received to 31st March, 1900,	3	Transferred in month of April, 1900,	—	42
Applications received in month of April, 1900,	—			
	3			
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	396
	648			

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1867,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1869,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st March, 1900,	—	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1900,	6	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st March, 1900,	—	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1900,	—	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	—	6

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1869.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 3 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1867."—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to 31st March, 1900,	23	Applications granted to 31st Mar., 1900,	3	
" in month of April, 1900,	—	" in month of April, 1900,	—	3
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Mar., 1900,	4	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to 31st March, 1900,	1	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1900,	3	
		" in month of April, 1900,	—	3
Total,	23	Total disposed of,	—	11

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
27th August, 1900.

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